PROVIDING FOR AN EXCEPTION FROM THE LIMITATION OF CLAUSE 6(d) OF RULE X FOR THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REFORM AND OVERSIGHT

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Mr. Dreier, from the Committee on Rules, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 326]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 326, by a non-record vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for an exception from the limitation of clause 6(d) of rule X (relating to the limitation on subcommittees) on subcommittees for the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight. This resolution allows the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight to increase its number of subcommittees from seven to eight for the remainder of the 105th Congress.

Clause 6(d) of rule XI limits House committees to no more than five subcommittees with certain noted exceptions: Appropriations—13; Government Reform and Oversight—7; and Transportation and Infrasctructure—6.

The Rules Committee notes that during the process of eliminating and consolidating committees at the beginning of the 104th Congress, the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight absorbed the jurisdiction of other committees. Waivers of the subcommittee limitation were at that time built into the rule.

Because of the strong interest in the census among Members on both sides of the aisle in Congress, and in the executive branch, there is a need for a census subcommittee on the Government Reform and Oversight Committee.

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